

# Fort Royal

## Community Primary School

*"Play, Learn, Laugh, Succeed"*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The summer holidays already seem like a distant memory and I am pleased to say that everyone is now back into the routine of school life, enjoying their new classes and building new relationships.

In the summer, work started on our exciting project to build a new interactive sensory garden in the school grounds. Unfortunately, it is not quite complete as there have been some problems levelling the ground. We will be planning the grand opening as soon as possible. Thanks to the wonderful fundraising and bid creating skills of Margaret Jones and the Friends we will be receiving our new mini bus from the Lord Taverners on Friday with a second one arriving in about six months. This will facilitate more access to the local community so pupils can practice new skills in real settings and also enhance their learning with actual visits. Throughout the term parent drop ins and training will be provided by our Family Liaison Officer, Helen Rutherford, and the Speech and Language therapy team will also be running some parent workshops on communication. These sessions may not be appropriate for all but if you have not had any communication about any of this and are interested please contact the school office and we will put you in touch.

This term is a long one and it seems a little premature talking about Christmas events already but I do understand that you all have busy diaries, so I hope you will be able to make it to some of the following events that are relevant for your child's class.

Date	Time	Event
Friday 19 October	10:30am	<b>School Harvest Service</b> at St Martin's Church, London Road All parents welcome
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	3:30 - 6:00pm	<b>Parents evening.</b> Details to follow
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> & Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	3:30 - 5:30pm	Nursery Open Evening. Details to follow
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November		<b>Children in Need day</b> for pupils. Details to follow
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November		<b>Victorian Fayre- Some pupils will be performing in the City Centre.</b> Details to follow
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	1:45pm	<b>EYFS Christmas Performance 1</b>
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	10:30am 2:00pm	<b>EYFS Christmas Performance 2</b> <b>KS1 Christmas Performance</b>
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	10:00am	<b>KS1 Christmas Performance</b>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December		Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner. Details to follow
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	TBC	Nativity Service at St Martin's Church, London Road

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### **Car parking and congestion at the start/end of the school day**

As those of who come to school with your child at either the start or end of the school day will know, the difficulty accessing the site and the general congestion outside of school on Midland Road and Wylds Lane is getting worse each term. We have now received many complaints from local residents and other road users and on some days the whole area outside the school is very dangerous. Now, after one minor incident, I am very concerned that there will soon be a more serious accident. I have had several meetings with the LA SEND transport team and they have now proposed a further review of the transport arrangements to try and reduce the number of transport vehicles needing access. From the experiences of the last review I know how difficult this can be for some of you as it will inevitably mean some changes to pick up/drop off times. I have not taken this decision lightly, but I have now asked them to move forward with their proposal. I have not yet been informed of any start date but if you are affected then the team will be making contact with you. In the meantime, if you do bring your child to school but are eligible for transport or receive direct payments to transport your own child I would ask you consider if the time may now be right to request county transport. If you do drive, please also consider if you really need access to site or if off-site parking (which I know can be difficult) or if walking is a feasible option. We do know that the problems are reduced on fine /warm days as more of you take this route.

Please feel free to call or email me at [efrancis@fortroyal.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:efrancis@fortroyal.worcs.sch.uk) if you would like to discuss this or for any other matter.

Yours sincerely,



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